

Year Round Pell

Important Notice for Pell Grant Eligible Students

The Federal Pell Grant Program will allow a student to receive Pell Grant funds for up to 150 percent of a student Pell Grant Scheduled Award for an award year. A student may receive up to 50 percent of an additional Federal Pell Grant Scheduled Award within an award year for an additional semester attended (i.e. summer). This is referred to as "Year Round Pell".

To be eligible for the additional Pell Grant funds, the student must be otherwise eligible to receive Pell Grant funds for the summer payment period.

Please see the below examples of enrollment and "Year Round Pell".

Example 1:

Fall 2020	Spring 2021	Summer 2021
Enrolled Full-time (12 credit hours)	Enrolled Full-time (12 credit hours)	Enrolls in 12 credit hours. The student is eligible for additional Pell Grant award because the student enrolled in at least half-time for summer semester.
50% Pell Awarded	50% Pell Awarded	50% Pell Awarded

Example 2:

Fall 2020	Spring 2021	Summer 2021
Enrolled Full-time (12 credit hours)	Enrolled Full-time (12 credit hours)	Enrolls in 6 credit hours. The student is eligible for additional Pell Grant award because the student is enrolled in at least half-time for summer semester.
50% Pell Awarded	50% Pell Awarded	25% Pell Awarded

Example 3:

Fall 2020	Spring 2021	Summer 2021
Enrolled in Full-time (12 credit hours)	Enrolled Three-quarter time (9 credit hours)	Enrolls in 12 credit hours. The student is eligible for the additional Pell Grant award because the student is enrolled in at least half time. The remaining initial Pell Grant award and the additional Pell Award is combined.
50% Pell Awarded	37.5% Pell Awarded	12.5% + 37.5% = 50% Pell Awarded

Example 4:

Fall 2020	Spring 2021	Summer 2021
Enrolled in Halftime (6 credit hours)	Enrolled in Three-quarter time (9 credit hours)	Enrolls in 4 credit hours. Student is eligible for remaining Pell Grant award based on 4 credit hours.
25% Pell Awarded	37.5% Pell Awarded	12.5% Pell Awarded

Potential Issues

A change in your enrollment status could cause you to lose your Pell Grant Funds. If your enrollment drops to less than half-time; less than 6 credit hours; for the summer semester, you may lose eligibility for the Pell Grant listed on your award letter.

To receive the additional Pell Grant award, you must make academic progress by successfully completing classes during the academic year (2021-22), and be in good academic standing during the summer semester in which you receive the additional Pell Grant.

The Year Round Additional Pell Grant award will be included in the student's maximum 600% Pell Lifetime Eligibility Used in accordance with the Federal Pell Grant regulations.

If at any time you have questions, please contact the Richmond CC Financial Aid Office.